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MINISTER DISCUSSES SUBJECT OF FARM STORAGE

AGREES DELAY IN HARVEST BRINGS MATTER TO FORE

But Says Transport Plans
Will Now Increase Deli-
veries of Grain

PAYMENTS ON 1950-51 Pool

Total of \$100,000,000 on Three
Pools — Details re Payment
on Barley Grades

By M. McDougall, Press Gallery

OTTAWA, Oct. 17th. — The subject of paying storage to farmers on grain held on the farms was discussed, by Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Trade and Commerce, in the House of Commons a few days ago. The following were among points made. Certainly it was agreed the delay of about six weeks in harvesting through rains has brought the question of storage on farms very much to the fore. The Minister said, however, that the special transport arrangements now operating would increase this year the amount of wheat delivered by the farmers this autumn. Country elevators have space for about 280 million bushels. Taking into account the ten per cent reduction for handling, the actual space is about 250 million bushels. About 50 million bushels are already in storage. This leaves space for 200 million bushels in the country, and to this must be added 100 million bushel space in Eastern Canada, Georgian Bay and St. Lawrence route ports and in the Maritime Provinces.

In recent days there has been a rapid movement of freight cars on the railways, but through lateness in harvesting there simply has not been the grain to fill them or the boats on the St. Lawrence. Other goods have been moved, but there will be not only the cars and boats but the grain to fill them from now on. This the Minister said was the considered view of the Chairman of the Wheat Board and the Transport Controller.

The question raised in the House was why should not the farmers storing wheat have the right to receive the same storage rates as the elevators? The answer is that payment for storage would be out of pool receipts. The farmer would be paying it to himself for storage, and his final payment from the pool would be reduced accordingly.

Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe made a statement in the House of Commons during the first full working day, on the plans of the Canadian Wheat Board for final payments on the 1950-51 barley, oats and wheat pools. There will be surpluses to distribute on all three pools, and these will total over \$100,000,000. Payments will be completed, Mr. Howe said, before the end of this calendar year. He hoped they would be finished by December 1st.

Order of Payments

The first payment will be on barley, then on oats, and the final payment will be on wheat. In relation to barley, on February 1st this year all initial payments were increased

Princess Finds Canadian Welcome "Overwhelming"



The welcome extended by Canadians to Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, in great cities and the smaller communities, and all the way along the highways and the railways and at the airports, has been, in the word of the Princess herself, "overwhelming." Literally in some instances the crowds have broken through barriers to acclaim Their Royal Highnesses; while even the sort of obstacles that have been raised in some of the larger cities by governmental and

local dignitaries, who have sought to monopolize the royal couple's attention, have also been broken through. In Calgary yesterday the Princess and the Duke were warmly received by crowds that lined the principal streets. The chief functions were a range-style luncheon in the Stampede Corral and specially arranged Stampede events. The picture above was taken during an eight-mile tour through the streets of Ottawa, on a day when autumnal colors glowed in bright sunshine.

International Oil Co-op Hold Sessions

COPENHAGEN, Denmark. — At its annual meeting here recently, International Co-operative Petroleum Association voted patronage refunds totalling \$34,568, to member associations on last year's business. The largest participating organizations were co-ops in France, Sweden and Yugoslavia. Albin Johansson of Sweden was re-elected president, John Davidson, Britain, vice-president, and Howard A. Cowden, U.S.A., secretary-treasurer.

by 20 cents a bushel, and a payment of the same amount was made on all barley delivered to the Board between August 1st, 1950, and January 31st, 1951. The final payment on barley, which commenced October 15th, that is the beginning of this week, is the second payment distribution over and above the initial prices which were originally established for 1950-51. The pool for 1950-51 was closed on September 22nd, 1951, and the operating results of the barley pool are the sales by the Board between October 1st, 1950, and September 22nd, 1951. (About 8 million bushels were transferred to the 1951-52 pool and will be included in that year's payments under section 29A of the Canadian Wheat Board Act, as these sold under future contracts.)

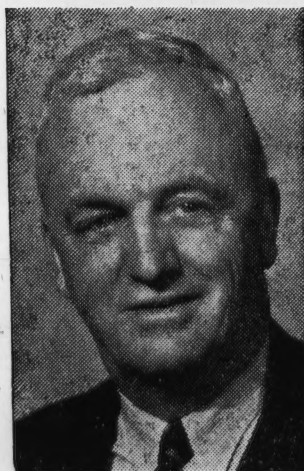
Payments on Different Grades

The net surplus remaining from the 1950-51 pool amounts to \$15,112,054.03. As 83,521,106 bushels of barley were delivered by producers to the pool during the 1950-51 period, the final payment will be 18.0937 cents per bushel. On the basic grade Canada Western Six Row barley final payment will be 20.882 cents. The total realized price for this grade will have been \$1.34882 a bushel. On (Continued on Page 12)

To Open New School of Agriculture Nov. 6th

The new School of Agriculture and Home Economics at Fairview will be opened on Tuesday, November 6th, by Hon. D. A. Ure, Provincial Minister of Agriculture. It is announced from Edmonton. (School sessions, however, start Oct. 23rd; Olds and Vermillion schools open on Oct. 30th).

Drives Royal Couple in Coach that Edward VII Used in Visit in 1860



Arrangements made for the royal visit in Calgary called for the driving by George E. Church, above, president of United Farmers of Alberta Co-operative Limited, of a four-horse team to convey Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh from the Stam-

Rats Are Killed in Four Alberta Areas

Recently Norway rats were killed in the area of Camper, Schuler, Monitor and Acadia Valley — in all cases, in grain fields at some distance from buildings. The Alberta Department of Agriculture are urging that close watch be kept for these pests and that if rats are killed or seen notice be sent at once to the district agriculturist or other official of the Department.

Accident Necessitates Curtailment of Program of Secretary MacDonald

Members of the co-operative movement throughout Canada will regret to learn that A. B. MacDonald, General Secretary of the Co-operative Union of Canada, suffered an accident early this month. He evidently put himself too vigorously into disengaging his car bumper from that of another car and cracked one of his vertebrae. After some two weeks in the Civic Hospital at Ottawa it is expected that he will have to curtail travelling for some time. Mr. Priestley states that plans were afoot to secure Mr. MacDonald for a series of meetings under the auspices of the Alberta Co-operative Union as soon as harvest conditions made such a series feasible.

pede Corral to the Grand Stand. The coach was one in which, in 1860, Edward VII, then Prince of Wales, drove from Halifax to Truro, Nova Scotia. It was recently brought to Alberta. The horses were four of the six-horse team entered by the Co-operative Milk Company in the Stampede Parade. Weather conditions yesterday (Thursday) made it possible to carry out the program as arranged.

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Run-off Control of Value

SWIFT CURRENT, Sask. — Run-off from one square mile of prairie land will usually irrigate twenty or thirty acres, states R. E. Melvin of the Swift Current Experimental Farm. The importance of controlling and utilizing the run-off from rainfall and snowfall cannot be overemphasized, he says, adding that spring flood systems can often be developed to utilize a portion of it, and thus assure better hay and pasture crops.

PLASTIC AIRCRAFT

LONDON, England. — Plastic aircraft which may cut production costs by half are forecast by research workers at the U.K. Ministry of Supply's Royal Aircraft establishment.

World production of stone fruits this year is expected to be 8 per cent above that of 1950. Canadian figures show considerable increases.

Urge Governments Clarify Coarse Grains Position

Federation Asks Early Meeting Between Legislative Counsel

THE Alberta Federation of Agriculture has asked the Dominion and Provincial Governments to agree to have their legislative counsels meet in the near future for the purpose of co-operatively clarifying the constitutional rights, respectively, with regard to legislation and enforcement thereof, affecting the marketing of Coarse Grains.

Roy C. Marler, President of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, says this has been found necessary as a result of confusion amongst both farmers and the trade as a result of conditions previous to, and following, the announcement of the Provincial Government that it would not enforce the 1951 amendment.

Farm organizations are anxious to ascertain to what extent Governments are prepared to actively support the marketing of coarse grains through the Canadian Wheat Board.

Some Confusion Caused re Government's Thinking

The decision of the Manitoba Government some months ago to take a plebiscite this autumn, and the recent announcement of the Alberta Government, finds the farmers a bit confused as to just what the actual thinking of Governments is with respect to allowing further time to properly ascertain the merits and demerits of this marketing plan.

Surely the farmers are correct in their thinking that the

jurisdiction with respect to marketing coarse grains within and outside the Province, rests with the Provincial and Dominion Governments. If this is so, then it seems evident that it should not be too difficult, providing each Government is prepared to co-operate, to ascertain the respective responsibilities.

Arose out of Feed Manufacturers' Complaint

This 1911 amendment to the Provincial legislation arose out of the dissatisfaction of the feed manufacturers, and their constant and continuous complaint of discrimination against those of their members who wished to obey the law was responsible in part for the Federation endorsing the application for the 1951 amendment.

The other consideration is the endorsement which was looked upon by the Federation as being more important, was the position taken by the Department of Agriculture as a result of efforts made by them toward bringing about action leading to enforcement, that provision needed to be provided in the legislation which would enable the appointment of officers or inspectors for a proper supervision of this orderly marketing plan.

Positive Approach to Problem Urged

The Federation is urging the Government to take a positive approach to the problem by endeavoring to find a solution through adequate amendments to Chapter 25 of the Alberta Statutes and if found necessary, to act in co-operation with the Federation with respect to obtaining amendments to the Canadian Wheat Board Act.

We are asking the Provincial Government to show its goodwill, as we are the Federal Government, in helping the farmers to solve their marketing difficulties. We suggest that evidence of goodwill should be shown by each Government REGARDLESS of the position taken by the other.

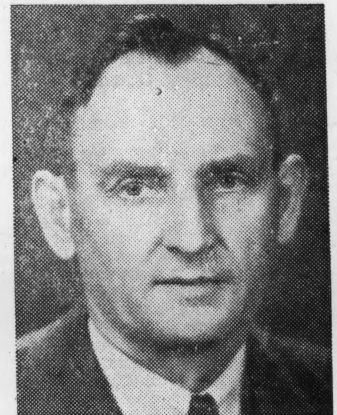
The Federation believes it will be difficult today to find any Provincial legislation of equal importance to the farmers' returns or livelihood as is this Coarse Grain Control Act.

Hog and Coarse Grains Markets Contrasted.

We believe we can illustrate this by stating briefly the position of our hog market versus coarse grain market.

The price of hogs has recently dropped \$9.75 per cwt. Why? Not because of demand — our people are consuming as much and more, and other countries are short of meat, much more so than of cereal grains. Hog prices have dropped because statistics as of the first of June show there was an increase of hog production across Canada of twelve per cent,

Determined to Protect Farmers' Position



"We are determined," declares Roy C. Marler, President of the A.F.A., at the conclusion of the forceful presentation on this page of the case for early action on the coarse grains marketing situation, "to protect the farmers' position by seeing that the marketing of his grain through the Wheat Board has a fair trial over reasonable time, after which the farmers' views and wishes should be the major consideration of all Governments in deciding further policy as to which method of marketing his grains should finally be adopted."

and again, more important, twenty-three per cent more sows had been bred to farrow from June First to November.

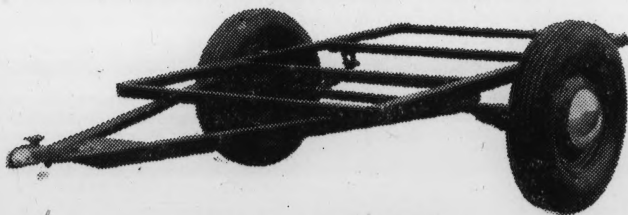
This means that there is a potential increased supply of hogs coming to market — not only as usual during the last quarter of the year, but continuing and increasing through the first, second, and into the third quarter of next year.

Packers and processors, facing these conditions, have retarded bidding, notwithstanding that their stock of pork products is six and one-half million pounds less than at the first of August last year. We are not critical of the packers for this, because we cannot, in our opinion, expect any individual business to accept risk in storage and disposal programs adequate to cope with these conditions.

Marketed Through Wheat Board — Prices Maintained.

Now let us compare this condition with the prices of coarse grains being marketed through the Wheat Board. With stocks of feed wheat, oats and barley, of more than double normal carryover, and with one of the greatest potential crops on record, what (Cont. at foot of the next column)

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Experiments in Handling Heavy Combine Stubble

BEAVERLODGE, Alta. — Saving the stubble is a "must" if a high fertility level is to be maintained, states C. H. Anderson of the Beaverlodge Experimental Station. However, in view of the difficulty in fall cultivation where stubble is heavy, and the possibility that under dry conditions there may be a lighter yield in the succeeding year, experiments are now being conducted at various institutions in the Prairie Provinces to find ways and means of handling heavy combine stubble. It is thought, says Mr. Anderson, that cultivation methods may be adapted to this end, and that certain fertilizers may also play an important role.

SHOWS BIG INCREASE

VANCOUVER — An increase over the previous year of 62 per cent brought merchandise sales of the B.C. Co-operative Wholesale Society to \$544,314 last year.

has happened to these grains? Fixed prices for domestic and export on No. 1 feed oats, July 16th, was 77c . . . August 16th, 78c . . . And on September 15th, 82c per bushel. For the same dates, No. 1 feed barley was \$1.14, \$1.15, and \$1.25.

You will note from these prices that contrary to the hog market, prices for feed grains are going up, notwithstanding abnormal stocks and potential supplies which by far outshadow comparable hog supplies, and much below normal stocks.

Money Benefits Which Accrue to Farmer.

This example of actual facts existing in present-day conditions, proves only in part the money benefits accruing to the farmer through Wheat Board marketing.

It also shows so clearly just how vulnerable a position the farmer would be in if he were depending on the grain exchange to set his prices on the basis of the open market, as is the hog producer, at least until they drop to the floor price.

As farmers who have marketed grain during the past thirty years well know, this matter is a question of choosing between marketing through a Wheat Board on which we have some indirect influence, and marketing through the Grain Exchange, where the price is greatly affected by hot or cold speculators.

We are determined to protect the farmers' position by seeing that the marketing of his grain through the Wheat Board, has a fair trial over a reasonable time, after which the farmers' views and wishes should be the major consideration of all governments in deciding further policy as to which method of marketing his grains should finally be adopted.

Big Advance Is Shown on Pre-war Production

LONDON, Eng. — Milk production in Britain is now thirty per cent higher than before the war, and egg production has shown a similar increase. Since 1948, there has been some increase in the output of beef and veal; production of mutton has gone up by a third, and of pork by over two and a half times.

A.F.A. NOTES

By JAMES R. McFALL, Secretary

Harvest Labor: The Federation through these brief notes wish to express appreciation for the action taken that grants men of the armed forces harvest leave.

This action will undoubtedly help the situation considerably. The National Employment Service report a sizeable number of these men being placed. There will be many others who are going direct to their homes. If weather conditions will hold favorable, along with this additional labor, the picture will brighten materially.

Scarcity of Wire: It has been brought to our attention that No. 9 and bailing wire is in very short supply in Western Canada. This situation is also present in Eastern Canada.

No. 9 wire is particularly useful for bracing granaries and temporary storage bins, so the Federation has been in contact with the Director of the Steel Division at Ottawa urging that supplies of steel be allotted to relieve this situation.

Farm Forum: The Federation office also functions as the Alberta Farm Forum office. At the present time we are busy preparing contact and publicity material that will go forward shortly to Forum groups of last season and many individuals who have made inquiry.

Remember the opening date of this National Farm program — October 29th at 8:30 p.m. If you wish information on this program, write the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, 515 Lougheed Building, Calgary.

Coming Farm Conventions. — We are coming to that period of the year when many farm organizations are reviewing their past activities in annual meeting and laying plans for another year.

Some of the dates available at the present time are:

1. United Grain Growers to be held in Winnipeg, November 7th and 8th.
2. The Alberta Seed Growers' Co-operative meets in Edmonton, November 8th.
3. Alberta Municipal Districts, November 12th, 13th and 14th in Calgary.
4. U.F.A. Co-operative, November 15th and 16th, in Calgary.
5. Alberta Wheat Pool, annual meeting will convene on November 27th in Calgary.
6. Farmers' Union of Alberta meets at the Palliser Hotel, Calgary, December 10th - 14th.
7. The Alberta Federation of Agriculture annual meeting will also be held in Calgary. The date is December 17th, 18th and 19th.

KEEP MEMBERS INFORMED

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The uninformed member of a co-operative is a weak member, according to I. W. Dugan, governor of the Farm Credit Administration of the U.S. "I know of few, if any, really good, strong, well-operated co-operatives that do not keep their members well informed," he said recently.



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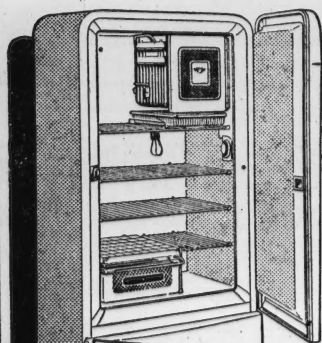
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POSITIVE ACTION CALLED FOR

"We are asking the Provincial Government to show its goodwill, as we are the Federal Government, in helping the farmers to solve their marketing difficulties. We suggest that evidence of goodwill should be shown by each Government REGARDLESS of the position taken by the other."

In making this forthright and urgent request for action to clear up any uncertainties respecting Coarse Grains legislation, in order that the marketing of these grains through the Canadian Wheat Board may be ensured, the Alberta Federation of Agriculture have behind them in overwhelming strength the farm people of this Province.

The Provincial Government is rightly asked to "take a positive approach" to the solution of this problem, through adequate amendments to the Chapter 25 of the Alberta Statutes. Co-operation, if necessary, with the Federation of Agriculture, in obtaining amendments to the Canadian Wheat Board Act, is also requested.

The farmers have the right to expect that obstacles to enforcement of the legislation on the statute books (if they exist) shall be removed, if their removal be possible, in order that its plain intention shall be carried out.

In the comparison which President Marler makes between the recent downward price trend for hogs and the buoyancy of price for coarse grains, he presents strong evidence in support of the position taken by the Federation.

Mr. Marler declares: "We are determined to protect the farmers' position by seeing that the marketing of his grain through the Wheat Board has a fair trial over reasonable time, after which the farmers' views and wishes should be the major consideration in deciding further policy as to which method of marketing his grains should finally be adopted."

That is a reasonable and moderate statement, whose forcefulness is fully warranted. Farm people throughout the Province will serve their own interests well if they decide to make known to the authorities concerned their own firm determination in this matter.

LONG OVERDUE DECISION

Decision of the Federal Government to make price resale maintenance by manufacturers illegal, has been welcomed by H. H. Hannam, President of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture as "a courageous but long overdue action."

Dr. Hannam points out that the Federation was one of the first organizations in Canada to urge the Government to put an end to this practice of manufacturers, who force wholesalers and retailers to sell many lines of goods at fixed prices.

In August, 1950, in a brief presented to the Committee of the House of Commons which was then investigating the combines act, the Federation called attention to the ill effects of the practice upon farm costs as well as other costs.

"This practice is quite common," declared the Federation, "in a vast range of industrial

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Of all your benefactions to mankind.
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Your imprint on the progress of the race.
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Bearing us forward at the steady pace
Which now the times we live in hold to scorn.

Our labors now are eased by the machine
Before whose speed and strength you abdicate.
Upon its wonders more and more we lean;
But these can never fully compensate
The loss of that companionship we knew
When tasks were shared through slow-paced days
with you.

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goods, and is certainly one of the most important factors in stifling true competition, and in forcing rigidity into our price system."

Dr. Hannam stressed these views also in a recent speech at Milton, Ont.

DISTINGUISHED RECORD

Under the direction of J. Charles Yule, whose retirement from the General Managership of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede became effective this month, the value of the contribution which this organization has made to agriculture, and particularly to the improvement of livestock, has been accentuated from year to year.

Born in Sunderland, Ontario, the son of a Scot who set himself up there in the Shorthorn business, and became a highly successful exhibitor, Mr. Yule at the age of six was in charge of a winning animal at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition. After attending Manitoba and Ontario Agricultural Colleges he continued his specialization in Shorthorns, and his herd at Carstairs grew to be one of the largest in Canada. It was not closed out until 1940.

Famous as a judge, at Chicago and elsewhere, Mr. Yule's retirement from the Managership of the Stampede does not mean the end of a career; but the beginning of another phase. He carries with him into new activities the goodwill of farmers and ranchers alike, and of all who are familiar with his record of service in the building of the Calgary Stampede and in other related fields.

NOTABLE CENTENARY

In his Presidential address to the British Association for the Advancement of Science on August 8th, the Duke of Edinburgh, who, it is reported, insists on writing his own speeches, recalled the fact that the hundredth anniversary of the Great Exhibition in London which was "the greatest achievement" of his great-grandfather, the Prince Consort, occurs this year.

The Duke's address which has been printed, is a serious and informative discussion of the significance of science to human society, as was an address to the Association delivered by the Prince Consort.

In the course of his address, the Duke welcomes "the good news that the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations has resolved 'to promote the systematic survey and inventory' of the world's resources 'which are not already covered by the Food and Agriculture Organization'." He concludes:

"It is clearly our duty as citizens to see that science is used for the benefit of mankind. For, of what use is science if man does not survive."

NEW RECORD FOR CHURCHILL

During the season which ended on October 3rd, we learn from Assistant Chief Commissioner McNamara of the Canadian Wheat Board, 21 vessels carried 7,278,443 bushels of wheat from Churchill. These constituted a new record for the port and compared to 6,767,743 in 1950. The program was completed in a highly satisfactory manner.

THE PRICE OF WHEAT IN FRANCE

By J. G. FEVRIER

It is often said that the Frenchman "eats bread and drinks wine". The saying was more accurate in days gone by than it is at present. As regards bread in particular, Frenchmen, in the towns at any rate, no longer make it the staple food in their diet and are consuming meat, sugar, vegetables and dairy products in increasing quantities.

Retains Symbolic Value

Bread does, however, retain a symbolic value, and any rise in the price of this commodity has always been very unpopular. In normal times France can herself provide for her consumption, and in good years even export considerable quantities of wheat, which emphasizes the importance of this cereal in French farming.

Another fact, moreover gives it additional importance. As three-course rotation is usually practised (wheat, secondary cereal and root crop), wheat farming frequently conditions that of fodder plants (for animal feeding) and also sugar production; interfering with one may well compromise the others.

Overproduction Crisis of 1936

Since 1936, the price of wheat has been fixed officially. This measure was made necessary by a great crisis due to over-production, which led to a slump in prices. The task was first assigned to the National Wheat Office, which later became the National General Office for Cereals (Office National Interprofessionnel des Cereales).

From 1940 onwards the Government itself fixed the price of all cereals. Then, in 1947, it was decided that the price of wheat be based on a rather complicated "scientific" system, the prices of other cereals remaining uncontrolled. This year the fixing of wheat prices has been the subject of much heated discussion as a result of the poor harvest and the general rise in prices.

Poor Harvest This Year

The French wheat harvest for 1951 has been poor both from the point of view of quantity and of quality. It has already been estimated at 69,610,000 metric quintals (of 100 kilograms), whereas that of 1950, which corresponded approximately to the pre-war average, amounted officially to 77 million quintals.

The rye crop, with 5,180,000 quintals, is almost a million quintals lower than that of 1950, and more than two million lower than that of pre-war years. Fodder plants have shown a slight rise, however, that of barley being estimated at 16,050,000 quintals (as against 15,720,000 quintals in 1950) and that of oats at 34,270,000 quintals (as against 33,050,000 in 1950).

Wet Harvest in France Too

Moreover, in 1951, bad conditions prevailed for harvesting in many districts. Owing to rain, the grain was not sufficiently dry. It will easily germinate and be difficult to store. In theory the 1951 harvest should be adequate for domestic consumption, but we must take into account the fact that, while metropolitan France consumes less wheat than before the war, the requirements of other countries in the French Union are steadily increasing subsequent to a rise in the population and in the standard of living. North Africa in particular, which was an exporter of wheat, is now tending to become an importer. Secondly, it is to be feared that part of the wheat crop will go for animal

The author of the article on this page, J. G. Fevrier, is a well-known French economist whose contributions on various aspects of France's agrarian economy have appeared in *The Western Farm Leader* from time to time.

feeding, either because it will deteriorate, or because farmers will find it more profitable used in this way.

Farmers Demand Higher Price

Farmers, and in particular the Association of Wheat Farmers — have demanded a considerable increase in the price of wheat. The price was 2,600 francs per quintal for the 1950 harvest. They asked that it be raised to 3,800 francs. It was, they said, not only a question of justice but a problem of national interest.

A question of justice in the first place. At the price of 2,600 francs, wheat showed an increase factor of 13 only as compared with pre-war years, that is to say, a lower rate than that of almost all other commodities and, in particular, very much lower than that of all industrial products. At the price of 3,800 francs it would only be, at factor 19, approximately corresponding to the increase in wages and still lower than that of most other goods.

It should be noted that on the home market fodder cereals are already being negotiated at rates much higher than the official price of wheat for the 1950 harvest; rye selling at 3,000 francs per quintal, barley at 3,150, oats at 3,200 and maize at almost 4,000 francs.

See Vital Problem for Country

But, the farmers add, we have here a vital problem for the country; farmers are losing interest in produce that brings in so little, since, before the war, the area of wheat growing land has been reduced by almost a million hectares, dropping from five million hectares to little more than four. A bad harvest would be sufficient to endanger supplies for the French Union, and even perhaps for metropolitan France, and to oblige the Government to import foreign wheat at a very high price and at the risk of upsetting its trade balance.

Then the fact remains that in the last fifteen months meat prices have risen by approximately 15 per cent while wheat prices have not shown any substantial increase. There may well be a tendency for the farmer to use wheat as cattle food and thus deprive the population of its bread.

1,000 Francs Higher Than in 1951

The Government had to admit the truth of such arguments. It is also compelled to restrict the rise in prices and in the cost of living as far as possible, if the rise in wages decided upon for September 1st is not to prove ineffective. Wishing to give the utmost satisfaction possible to wheat producers, it decided therefore to fix the price per quintal of wheat at 3,445 francs. To this figure must be added a so-called "modernization" bonus of 155 francs, bringing the total price per quintal up to 3,600 francs and 1,000 francs higher than last year. This increase will inevitably cause a corresponding rise in the price of bread, which can be esti-

North Greece Conditions Found Most Heart-rending — Launch Bread Crusade

A "Bread for Greece" Crusade has been launched by Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova recently, a few hours after her return from a ten weeks' trip through Europe. Dr. Hitschmanova is director for Canada of the Unitarian Service Committee, with headquarters at 48 Sparks St., Ottawa, and the appeal is sponsored by that organization, which has asked us to advise our readers of its plans.

Life in Europe today is more difficult than it was a year ago, writes Dr. Hitschmanova in a letter received by *The Western Farm Leader*; and "the most heart-rending and exhausting part of my journey was a jeep trip through Northern Greece, along the Albanian, Yugoslav and Bulgarian borders." These areas for ten long years were exposed to a "savage scorching from three successive foes. Here", she continues, "a year and a half after their repatriation from refugee camps, a blanket, an overcoat, a baby's diaper, are still so scarce as to be cherished as treasures. But, even so, clothing is not the vital problem of Northern Greece today.

"This past summer, five hundred of the villages north of Athens have suffered a complete crop failure due to excessive rains, hot winds, and hail just before harvest time. Above a quarter of a million people will go hungry this winter, many will die, unless a bare minimum of flour is shipped to them at once. 'We would eat anything a little softer than rocks,' the president of the village told me."

A one dollar donation will buy 20 pounds of flour, states Dr. Hitschmanova; and this would keep a hungry child alive for a month. She appeals for contributions "to save many starving children this winter from certain death." They should be sent to the address given above.

Part of the grain crop of Western Canada will be exported through Prince Rupert, the Wheat Board announces.

mated at at least 10 francs per kilogram. The Government is working on a plan to limit the increase by abolishing or cutting down certain margins of profit.

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To Assist in Publicising Farm Forum Broadcasts

To assist publicising the three opening C.B.C. Broadcasts in this fall's series of National Farm Radio Forum, Norman F. Priestley, Secretary of the Alberta Co-operative Union announces, the Union is making available to officers of co-operatives throughout Alberta a notice which is designed for handing out to patrons with their merchandise orders or for inclusion in letters. Many thousands of these slips have already been issued.

As has been announced by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, Farm Radio Forum will open this fall's series of C.B.C. broadcasts with a discussion of the question: "Are Co-operatives Efficient?" on Monday, October 29th, at 8:30 p.m. m.s.t. On the two following Monday evening programs, Nov. 5th and Nov. 12th, co-operatives will again be the subject of the Forum Broadcast, under the captions "Are Co-operatives Democratic?" and "Are Co-operatives Socialistic?". A concerted effort by co-operators across the Dominion is being made to secure a larger audience than ever before for these Farm Radio Forum Broadcasts.

Intricacies of weather forecasting are being studied at the London Meteorological Office training school by people from all parts of the world.

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The Biggest Task

The biggest task before the organized farm movement at the present time is that of cementing alliances with groups with whom they can find common ground, and the broadest possibilities are between the Federation and the Farmers' Co-operatives. The farmers need the Federation of Agriculture as their organizational sword and shield. Farmers need the Co-ops to protect their standard of living. They need farm supply co-ops as a means of exercising some control over the price level of the goods and services they need for farm operation. They need co-operative marketing agencies to give them some control over the price at which their farm produce is sold.

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OCTOBER 29th TOPIC ARE CO-OPS EFFICIENT?

Are co-ops doing as efficient a job as other types of business?

NOVEMBER 5th TOPIC ARE CO-OPS DEMOCRATIC?

Are they maintaining their initial democratic form?

NOVEMBER 12th TOPIC ARE CO-OPS SOCIALISTIC?

Do co-ops lead in democratic planning?

Consult your local radio guide for the time of these thought provoking broadcasts.

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Each Needs the Other

In turn, the Farmer Co-operatives need the Federation to stimulate farmer interest in managing their own economic affairs, to press for the Government legislation to permit them to do the commercial job they want to do, and to protect them from attack from various sources. Then, the Federation as an organization needs the co-operatives because they are a logical and sensible source of the financial strength without which it cannot operate.

So, you see how co-operatives, being one type of farmer organization affiliated, fits into the A.F.A. Without the Federation and the Co-operative Movement, the farmer is like a man without an arm. One is a political arm, the other an economic one; and to do a good job he needs both. But now let us look at co-operatives alone.

Private Enterprise at Its Best

Much of the popular talk we hear about co-ops is ignorant and confusing in the extreme. One of the fallacies about co-operatives which is being diligently promoted in certain quarters is that it has something to do with "socialism", that it is some kind of "collective" system being built up in opposition to private enterprise. This is something that every co-operative, and every Alberta farmer, should be able to think about clearly. Co-operation is not only "private enterprise", but it is private enterprise at its best. Further than that, it is the only hope we have of maintaining the private enterprise system on this continent.

Co-operation is based on the conviction that the small businessman and the small producer, whether he is a farmer or anybody else, not only can, but must, manage his own affairs for himself and in his own interests. It fights entirely for the right of the individual to protect his property and his product. By exercising an increasing measure of control over both consumer and marketing activities, the farm co-operative creates a healthy condition of business competition without which the free enterprise system cannot live.

Private enterprise is today fighting a war on two fronts. It is fighting the wolf of Wall Street on one side, and the bear of the Kremlin on the other. Co-operation is its only effective weapon against them both.

Experience of Sweden

The main reason for co-operative movements must be a recognized economic need. This factor is largely responsible for the great progress

CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

made by co-ops in many countries — there was a recognized economic need for them. Co-ops have perhaps made greater progress in Sweden than in any other country. Sweden was one of the first countries to turn to the co-operative movement as an alternative to both business monopolies and Government ownership.

Recently a young co-operator from Sweden played down the importance of patronage refunds by co-ops, which, in this country, we attach too much significance to. He said: "As a result of long years of co-operative education, Swedish members look to their co-operatives for service, not primarily for patronage refunds. They know that co-ops pay indirect refunds in the way of being a restraint on monopoly greed, high prices, and also indirect refunds by raising members' standards of living."

Co-ops' Main Purposes

There has been a continuous rise of co-operatives here in Western Canada. Here, briefly, are their main purposes:

1. To increase bargaining power.
2. To provide a variety of services at cost.
3. To provide new, or better, services.
4. To offer the satisfaction and greater self-reliance which comes to the members in providing themselves with, or developing, services under their own control, and without reliance on the state or other sources of service.

And, before we bring our talk on co-ops to a close, I'd like to mention that I understand the opening Farm Forum broadcasts will feature co-ops. The 1951-52 Farm Forum season will open on October 29th with a broadcast on the topic: "Are Co-ops Efficient?" The two following programs will be on the topics: "Are Co-ops Democratic?" and "Are Co-ops Socialistic?" Plenty of enlightenment on the co-operative movement should result from these discussions.

BEEF CROP'S VALUE

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Staff Member Passes

We regret to announce the death of another valued member of the C.A.D.P. Staff. Mrs. Myrtle Regan passed away at the Rimbe Hospital on September 21st after a long illness. Mrs. Regan had been an egg grader at several of our branches over a period of years and at Rimbe since 1946. Her manner and ready smile made her many friends and her passing will be mourned by all who knew her. The directors, management and staff of the C.A.D.P. express their sincere sympathy to the members of the bereaved family.

Postpone Rural Leadership Course to November — List of Young People to Attend

Harvest conditions have forced postponement of the Rural Leadership Course, which was to have been held at the Banff School of Fine Arts from October 18th to 25th. This will now commence at Banff on the afternoon of Wednesday, November 21st and run through to November 29th, 1951. Lt.-Col. E. W. Cormack, Assistant Professor of the Department of Extension of the University of Alberta.

Selection Committee

Scholarship winners who will attend the course were selected by a committee consisting of Mrs. Winifred Ross and Mrs. Dora Jackman, representing the F.U.A.; T. J. Dabnett, Alberta Wheat Pool; William S. Scarth, United Grain Growers, and Col. Cormack.

From fifty names submitted for consideration by District Agriculturists, the Supervisor of Girls' Club Work, and by the organizations named above, twenty-five were selected on their merits, having in mind their age, present and probable future occupation, education, enthusiasm, activity in community organizations, and geography.

The three executive members of the F.U.A. Juniors, Bruce Ellis of Hubalta, Peter Berger of Parkland and Miss Mable Rasmussen of Gwynne were automatic choices, by unanimous decision.

Other Selections

Other names, roughly zoned, were chosen as follows (the older individual being given first choice, as it was felt that those under twenty might wait for future opportunity):

Peace River Area: Jean Syrnuk, Hines Creek; Alternative: Julia Luka, Hines Creek.

Edmonton Area: Wallace Bland, R.R. 4, Edmonton; George Wagonuik, R.R. 1, Gunn; Alice Rollop, R.R. 3, South Edmonton; Alternative: Grace Borle, R.R. 1, St. Albert.

Red Deer Area: Phyllis Ann Scott, R.R. 4, Red Deer; Gordon Parsonage, Innisfail; Mrs. Jack Mundie, Knee Hill Valley, Red Deer; Mr. Jack Mundie, Knee Hill Valley, Red Deer; Donald

Dollar Volume of Co-operatives Is Tripled in Year

EDMONTON — An increase of \$20,000,000 in volume of business, over the previous year, was recorded in 1950 by co-operatives in this Province, states the annual report of the Co-operative Activities Branch of the Department of Industries and Labor. The total of \$221,670,439 was three times the dollar volume for the year 1943.

Half by Grain Co-ops

This figure represents the business done by 544 co-operatives and credit unions in the Province. Half the total volume was contributed by grain co-ops (including business in seed). Assets of these organizations were over \$25 millions, nearly half the total for all co-operatives in the Province.

Livestock marketing units did a business of nearly \$60 millions, and dairy and poultry co-ops had a turnover of over \$21.5 millions.

With the largest membership of any group 81,421 consumer co-operatives did business in the amount of over \$20 millions. Business done by the credit unions totalled over \$3.6 millions.

Robertson, Didsbury; Alternatives: Harold Schielke, Carstairs; Gerald Breen, R.R. 3, Red Deer; Muriel Bauer, Lacombe.

Edmonton East Area: Steve Sorochan, Vermilion; George Kyca, Andrew; Dan Giebelhaus, Vegreville; Felix Woloshin, Derwent; Alternative: Irene Maricle, Hamlin.

Calgary Area: Ron Pollock, Hubalta; Margaret Dickson, High River; Alternatives: Mrs. Gwen Miller, High River; Helen Wagner, Nanton; Shirley Warack, Langdon.

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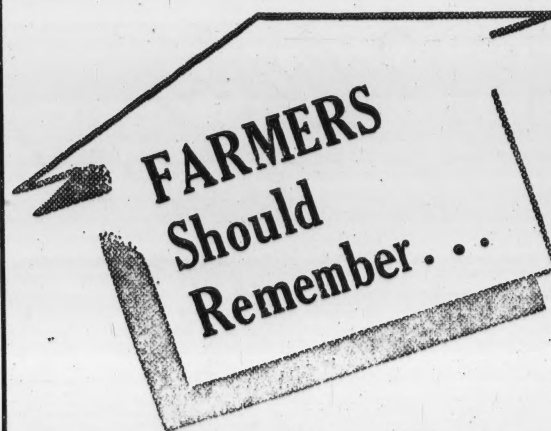
Brownfield; Dorothy Vetter, Veteran; Alternatives: Audrey Baker, Stettler; Donald Johnson, Brownfield; John Shepherd, Stettler.

Camrose Area: Mrs. Annabel Omoto, Ohaton; Alternatives: Marie Schiedeggar, Ohaton; Joan Rattell, Ohaton.

Drumheller Area: Molly Paterson, Craigmyle; Mrs. C. L. Edwards, Three Hills; C. L. Edwards, Three Hills; Alternative: Walter Shedlock, Rosedale.

Other Areas: Don McBride, Arrowwood; Alternatives: Iona Linquist, Bow Island; Grace Givens, Pollockville.

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Record Inventories

OTTAWA, Ont. — Canadian manufacturers had larger inventories in July than ever before, stated the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The index figure was 183.2, contrasting with 138.5 in July, 1950.

WORLD CHRONICLE

Oct. 4th. — Iranian spokesman says Iran will fight back if Royal Navy interferes with shipments of oil. Communists reject suggestion that armistice talks be held in no-man's land, near Kaesong; Ridgway suggests they select site.

Oct. 5th. — Canada must have U.S. approval before proceeding with St. Lawrence seaway project, states Pearson. Former Nazi Schacht complains that Keenleyside's refusal to shake hands with him was "impertinent" UN forces in Korea under heavy attack from higher ground; Princess Pats engaged, along with U.S. and British troops.

Oct. 6th. — Stalin announces one kind of atom bomb has been tested in Russia. UN troops advance in Korea. British high commissioner for Malaya, Sir Henry Gurney, killed by guerillas. Keenleyside says Sir Mirza Ismail, of India (who announced his resignation as head of UN technical aid in Indonesia following hand-shaking incident), was going to resign anyway.

Oct. 7th. — Malayan war intensi-



HJALMAR SCHACHT

Honor British Scientist Who Identified Neutron — Fundamental Discovery

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Sir James Chadwick, of Cambridge University, a British atomic expert, is being honored by the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia. They are giving him their highest award, in recognition of his work in identifying the neutron as part of the nucleus of the atom. This discovery was fundamental in the field of atomic research.

Oct. 8th. — Princess Elizabeth and Duke of Edinburgh arrive in Montreal, after crossing Atlantic by air; begin Canadian tour. Ridgway agrees to Panmunjom for talks. Mossadegh reaches New York, for UN hearings on Iranian oil dispute. British resolution will call for economic sanctions if Iran refuses to resume negotiations, reported from London. Truman names Harriman as director of U.S. economic-military aid program for 1952-53; \$7.483 millions to be spent. Egypt announces she will oust British troops now guarding Suez Canal — disregarding 20-year treaty of 1936; also wants at once sole control of Sudan in violation of treaty.

Oct. 9th. — Britain will keep present force of 10,000 in Egypt to guard Suez, announced by Morrison; says plans underway for U.S., France, Turkey to share with Britain and Egypt protection of Suez. Parliament opens in Ottawa. U.S. Senate to investigate charges against Senator McCarthy, moving spirit of "un-American activities" committee. Turkey and Greece give Truman assurance they will fight with West against any aggression.

Oct. 10th. — Acheson warns Egypt against disregarding of treaty, says new defence proposals should be "sound basis" for settlement of Suez question. Anti-foreign rioting rages in Cairo. London announces Princess Elizabeth and Duke of Edinburgh to take place of King and Queen in Australian tour. From Zagreb Jugoslavia, comes report of peasant withdrawals from collective farms. On advice of General Bradley, says Washington report, U.S. has decided against use of atom bombs in Korea at this time. Closing of two independent dailies in Argentina "most flagrant" example of infringement of freedom of the press, declares Inter-American Press Association, meeting in Montevideo.

Oct. 11th. — In Cairo mob demonstrations continue; press states government considering non-aggression pacts with Russia, France and U.S. Iran asks for revision of terms of British treaty. Liaison officers meet again in Panmunjom. U.S. Senate passes bill which would allow U.S. to share atomic knowledge (outside knowledge of military value) with friendly powers. Joint military winter exercise in far north, by Canada and U.S., to be called "Eager Beaver 1".

Oct. 12th. — Charges that UN planes attacked Panmunjom area, killing one Korean boy and wounding another, under investigation. Cairo authorities say British troops in Suez area will be declared "enemy forces" by Egyptian parliament. U.S. State Department announces Italian treaty plans to go ahead, regardless of Russian protests. Paul Cadbury of British Quaker mission, returning from Moscow, reports in Philadelphia that Russians are contented, adequately fed and clothed, but completely ignorant of world outside U.S.S.R. Most powerful television station in world opened near Manchester, England. In New York, deputy premier of Iran declares UN security council has no right to intervene in oil question.

Oct. 13th. — Britain, U.S., France and Turkey, invite Egypt to join in Middle East defence; Australia, New Zealand and South Africa have already agreed to join. British warships, streamlined to withstand atomic blasts, will soon be put in service, declares attache at British embassy, The Hague.

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PLAN FOR PAYMENT OF FARM STORAGE IN INITIAL PRICE

Raise Price Cent on First of
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"The big problem in Western Canada is where to find storage for this year's crop, if and when we get it harvested," states Henry Young, President of The Farmers' Union of Alberta, in writing to The Western Farm Leader.

"Existing elevator space is insufficient in many districts, and farmers are being urged to build additional granaries to store the crop.

Is Sound Principle

"We have no objection to this idea, in fact we consider it a sound principle that farmers should have storage on the farms for a considerable part of the crop.

"However, it costs money to provide storage; on the farm or anywhere else. When grain companies store grain in their elevators they are allowed a charge, which varies at times, but is usually one cent per bushel per month or .12c per year.

"Why should not farmers be allowed a similar amount on grain intended for market, if they provide storage at home?

Easy Method Available

"This could easily be done by merely raising the initial price of grain at the elevators by one cent on the first day of each month. If any particular grade were required by the Wheat Board, and farmers showed a tendency to hold it back, storage could be discontinued on that particular grade, for a time at least.

"This point of view was put before the Canadian Wheat Board at our recent conference in Winnipeg. We urged the adoption of a Farm Storage policy to encourage farmers to provide storage on the farms. The Wheat Board is reluctant to make such a move, but will do so if they are sure farmers are really behind the demand.

"If our farmers really want a system of Farm Storage put into effect their most effective way of showing it would be by getting behind their farm Union. Unorganized farmers get little attention on any subject."

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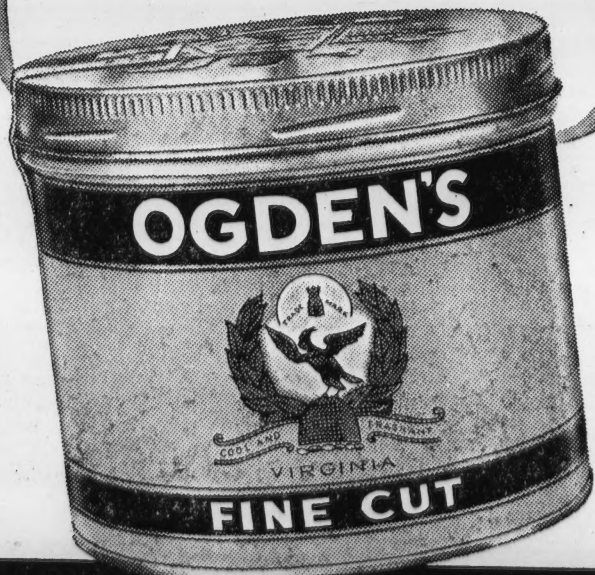
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Warning: Don't Give Away Your Gas Rights

By, HENRY YOUNG, President, Farmers' Union of Alberta

THE recent decision of the Alberta Supreme Court regarding Natural Gas is of considerable interest to land owners. The question before the Court was as to whether natural gas always goes with the oil and mineral rights or whether it belongs to the surface owner unless mentioned in the reservations on the title deed.

The court decided that Natural Gas does not necessarily go with the mineral rights. Unless Natural Gas is specifically included in a list of reservations noted on the title, it goes with the land and belongs to the land owner.

May Prove Ace in Hole

This decision is being appealed in the Supreme Court, and may be changed, but if it stands it is of considerable importance to the farmers. It means that many farmers who thought they had no mineral rights at all may find that they own the Natural Gas under their land.

Any land owner who is in this position has an ace in the hole, because if an oil company

wants to drill an oil well on his land, they will first have to make a deal with him on his gas rights, as they cannot reach the oil without disturbing the natural gas.

Warning to Farmers

We have been informed that some oil companies are making a drive in certain districts to get farmers to sign over their rights to Natural Gas under their lands in return for a small consideration.

We would warn farmers not to do this unless they are offered ample compensation. Until this question has been finally settled by the highest Court no one can have much idea as to what Natural Gas rights will be worth. Meantime do not sell out cheaply.

Helicopter Taxis Soon

LONDON, Eng. Within five years, it is stated by the Society of British Aircraft Constructors, helicopter air taxis will carry passengers between cities in the British Isles.

mers practice for weeks ahead of time. There was a square framework on the top of the pole. It turned as needed. Five men in bright costumes climbed to the top. One sat in the centre and the other four at the respective corners of the square frame. The centre one played a plaintive weird like tune on a long reed pipe while the others wound themselves with rope and went through various motions and salutes to the sun. At a given period all began to drop as the rope unwound from their bodies and they swung in a wide circle around the pole, about forty or fifty feet from the ground. We didn't find out just what it all meant, but it is a dance these Indians have performed at certain dates for centuries.

Alfalfa Crop Every 28 Days

At Tulancingo (the writers continue) we went out to see a fine dairy herd where they had 420 good Holstein cows. This land was all irrigated and there was rank corn for silage and the thickest alfalfa you could see anywhere. It was all cut by hand. They got a crop of alfalfa every 28 days. They had some good hogs and sheep in cement pens, well drained, and with running water. Along in front of each pen were ducts full of disinfectant. They shipped their milk to a pasteurizing plant in Mexico City and delivered it to customers themselves.

From there we went up another two thousand feet to the same level as Mexico City. This city was Pacahuca, a centre of great silver mining country in years gone by—even before the time of the Spaniards. There is still plenty of silver mined but not as much as in the past. The population of the town is 59,000.

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BY BETH AND MARILYN SEARS

(Continued from last issue)

From Puebla we went through more wooded country for awhile, then through open country in which they grew wheat, barley, corn and maguay, or century plant.

Our destination that night was Jalapa in the state of Vera Cruz.

Fine Holstein Herd

Later in our tour on the ranch of the Governor of Puebla, we saw a fine herd of registered Holstein cattle. The hog pens were all cement with running water and good shade and the hogs looked vastly different than the specimens we had seen in the Indian villages farther north. The house was an attractive Spanish type and the grounds were beautifully landscaped. To one side of the grounds and down on a slope was a summer house with table and seats for outdoor meals. There was a large well kept orchard of apples, pears, walnuts, and some citrus.

A mile or two farther on we were taken in to see the ranch of ex-President Comacho, brother of the Governor of Puebla. Here everything was in the same good order with beautiful orchards, home and gardens. Also a fine herd of Ayrshires that had come from Quebec, each with long pedigrees. These two ranches were high in the mountains and the vegetation was not so tropical as in other places.

Further on, in more tropical country, we visited another ranch owned by the ex-president. This was also beautifully cared for and was on a river. Here we saw all-spice trees, the traveller's palm and other tropical trees and shrubbery, some of which had come from Indo-China and other places in the Far-East.

Sudden Descent Brings Queer Feeling

From here we went on through orchard country, miles of citrus fruits, and corn up and down the slopes in amazing fashion. The road wound through hilly country and the bus driver drove as though there were wings on the bus. We came down

5,000 feet in a comparatively short distance at a terrific clip. We all felt rather queer when we got out of the bus and wondered what ailed us, till someone explained the sudden change in altitude.

Here we stopped to see a coffee plantation and get a cold drink. The coffee trees all grew under a special shade tree or under the banana trees. Good coffee must have shade. From there on to San Rafael we passed through miles of hilly country, cultivated from top to bottom, and planted with corn and pineapples, bananas, coffee, sugar cane, and coconut palms in the lower parts.

Interesting French Settlement

San Rafael is the centre of an interesting French settlement. Around 1800 some adventurous Frenchmen saw this country, liked it, and laid his plans for growing and shipping vanilla beans to France. He obtained a large grant of land, went home to France and brought out a number of French families from somewhere in Northern France.

This is one of the places where we missed a lot of details due to our lack of Spanish. One person said he was told 20 families, another said 50, so we weren't sure how many were in the original group. Since then more have come from France and some have come from Louisiana. Few have left in all these years and among those who did, some have come back. They are fine looking people and are hard workers. They have made their area highly productive through their methods of cultivation. Up till this generation they spoke French as well as Spanish; but now it is the rule in the schools to teach Spanish, so the younger generation speaks little French.

Dance to the Sun

(At one place visited, the party was privileged to witness an ancient Mexican dance, which is described as follows):

The dance to the sun was performed from the top of a 100 ft. pole. It is an age old dance and the perfor-

(Here the party were met by the leading dignitaries, including the mayor, and also the charros club (cowboys) mounted on beautiful horses and wearing tight, decorated and braided pants, short leather jackets and wide sombreros, and wonderful looking riding boots... the usual speeches of welcome. Then we were taken to the governor's office to meet the governor. We thought this was all and that we would head back to Mexico City but no! They told us they were taking us out to an agricultural school near by. They are very proud of this place and for good reason. If the people as a whole can learn and benefit from what is being taught here the food problem will cease to be so acute. The Rockefeller Foundation works with this school.

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As we got out of our bus to go to

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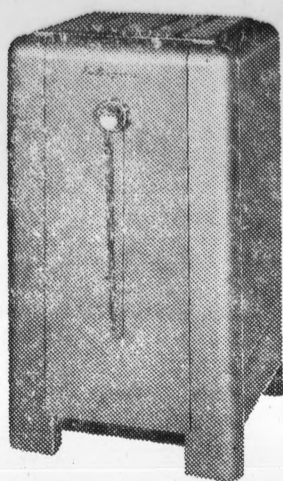
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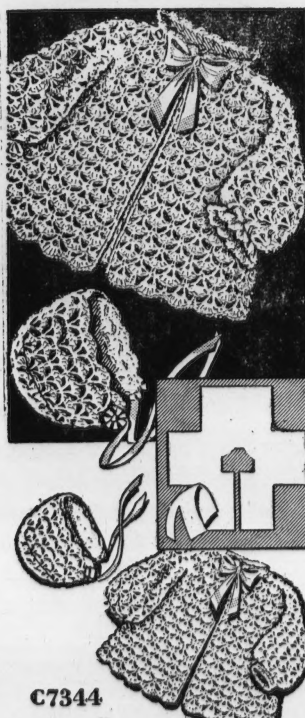
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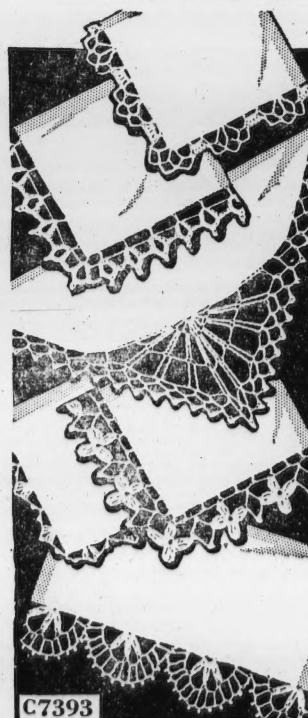
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FARM WOMEN'S INTERESTS

Including News of The Farm Women's Union of Alberta

Royal Visitors -- and We Get News of England

Dear Farm Women:

Comox, B.C.

This week when I am writing is when we are hearing much of Princess Elizabeth and her husband. No doubt, being a healthy, young human being, she enjoys much of the entertainment and many of the kindnesses and tokens given her; but there must be times when she feels she would be glad to change for a time with the young wife off on a prairie farm, just as that same young woman probably feels she would be more than willing to make the change.

And probably the Prince at times doesn't feel so keen on playing the role of "the husband of". Even women at times get irked at being continually known as "the wife of", whereas men enjoy even less, I think, being the "of". However, those are their respective lots in life, and we can but wish they will get much out of life and give much, just as we wish it for the woman on the farm.

A Visitor Returns from England

While the Royal visit may be the principal topic of interest to some just now, it so happens I have been extremely interested in hearing of a visit to England by one to whom it was at one time home. I am an audience a great deal of the time, listening to the questionings regard-

ing persons and places known to two interested talkers.

"And what struck you first?" "The beauty of the country." And I have heard of the natural beauty of the country with its variety of scenery. Coupled with that is the beauty of some of the old villages and of the old cities. Also the beauty of the great mansions so perfectly landscaped. Nature has been most kind. As someone remarked, they have a perfect sprinkling system with the more gentle, more regular rains which makes for wonderful growth without the soil-washing which we, here in this part of the world, experience in the heavy downpours of rain in the winter.

The Royal Agricultural Show

Topic after topic comes up. It was interesting to hear of the great Royal Agricultural Show of England which occupies practically a quarter section of land. Visitors were there from many countries, and those from overseas were admitted free.

Australia was particularly well represented, as it will be remembered Australia has had a most prosperous wool year. And certainly the Royal must have been a sight to see, with the great flower show and all the animals and the various items on the program. For instance, 600 head of cattle, all prize winners, brought in to the ring at one time.

There were some 27 breeds of native sheep, there were pigs and pigs but no poultry as, like us, a former disease prevented that. There were horses, which were magnificent looking animals, although we hear of rural England being mechanized and many a farm is without them. The Women's Institute gave demonstrations in rug making, in fruit canning, in the making of salads, etc.

And speaking of Agriculture, it is generally conceded, I think, that the Labor Government has helped it. In fact, I think it was Punch which had the joke of the English Farmer coming into the Conservative club room to pay his dues and saying he never had the money to pay his fees until "this damned Labor Government got in".

And you will probably be hearing about other phases of this English trip.

Yours sincerely,
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Storing Potatoes

OTTAWA, Ont. — Air circulation is the main necessity for successful storing of potatoes — apart from keeping the temperature well above freezing, of course. The storage atmosphere should be moist, states the Federal Department of Agriculture, though dampening the potatoes themselves is not recommended. The temperature should not be allowed to drop below 38 degrees.

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One of the noted women members of the British House of Commons, Mrs. Barbara Castle (above) was elected to the Executive of the Labor Party at its annual conference, replacing in that position Rt. Hon. Emmanuel Shinwell, the Minister for War. Mrs. Castle is a member of the group which has accepted Rt. Hon. Aneurin Bevan's view that under prevailing conditions the economy of the United Kingdom is incapable of supporting the expanded rearmament program which has been agreed to in response to representations by the U.S. Differences on this question in the Labor ranks are being laid aside during the general election campaign.

News of Women's Locals

Milo F.W.U.A. recently voted to buy the book "Local Rag" by Mrs. Barbara Villy Cormack, reports Mrs. Umcheid, the secretary.

Sewing for the hospital has been discontinued during the harvest season, reports Mrs. George Finlay, secretary of Stapledene F.W.U.A. (Lloydminster).

Fleet F.W.U.A. arranged a handicrafts and arts exhibit this month, when it was planned that articles to be sent to the Convention Exhibit would be chosen, reports Mrs. E. English.

Meals served at the local Fair yielded a very good profit, writes Mrs. George Beach, acting secretary of Westlock F.W.U.A., and "the members that worked those two days rate very high praise."

Resolutions for the Annual Convention were under discussion at a recent meeting of Ardrossan F.W.U.A., and Mrs. Arthur Williams read the bulletin, "which we all found very interesting," writes Mrs. J. Friel, the secretary.

A demonstration on making a dress form was given by the assistant home economist, at a recent meeting of Edwell F.W.U.A. (Penhold). Mrs. Graham writes that it was decided to donate \$10 each to the C.N.I.B. and to the Grace Hospital building fund.

Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Church were



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In Dividing Perennials replant only the outside parts of the root, discarding the centre.

Winter Protection for perennials is best provided by snow cover. The tops of the plants should first be removed as a preventive of disease and certain pests. Brush can be laid on to catch the snow, or weed-free straw or hay may be used, writes H. T. Allen of the Lacombe Experimental Station.

Canned Cranberry Juice: Pick over and rinse cranberries, and add water, cup for cup, bring to boil and boil 10 minutes or until berries pop; strain, add ½ cup sugar for each quart of juice, and boil about 2 minutes, pour into hot sterilized jars and seal at once; place in hot water bath and process at a simmer for 20 minutes.

Little Folks' Puzzle



Jack is having quite a time getting this stubborn animal back in his pen. If you would like a picture of this animal, join all the numbered dots together, starting with dot number one and ending with dot number thirty-seven. Use your paints or crayons on this picture.

hostesses to the last meeting of Camrose F.W.U.A., held in the U.F.A. Hall. Plans were completed for the October 13th sale and cafeteria-style tea. There was a good discussion following reading of the bulletin on education, writes Mrs. N. D. Lehman.

The Rural Leadership course was the special project favoured by Conrich F.W.U.A., writes Mrs. K. Carlyle, reporting a meeting held at the home of Mrs. W. L. Barker. Mrs. H. Clayton read the bulletin on co-operation and Mrs. Hodgson convened a short program. A fitting memorial for one of the Local's older members, the late Mrs. McLaughlin, was given by Mrs. Barker.



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Orange Honey Nut Bread: Cream 1 cup honey with 2 tbs. shortening; add 1 beaten egg and 1½ tbs. grated orange peel. Sift 2½ cups flour with 2½ tsp. baking powder, ½ tsp. each salt and soda, and add to first mixture alternately with ¾ cup orange juice. Add ¾ cup chopped nut meats.

Bake in loaf tin which has been lined with wax paper, and bake at 325 F. for about 1 hour.

Weiner Shortcake: Pour 1 can tomatoes into a greased casserole, add 2/3 cup chopped onion, ½ tsp. salt, and 1 lb. weiners, sliced (reserving a few slices for the top). Cover with johnnycake mixture, and arrange weiner slices on top of batter; bake in moderately hot oven for about half an hour. Good with sauer kraut or cole slaw.



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The Livestock Market

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Oct. 17th. — Hogs sold yesterday \$32, good lambs \$31.50; good to near choice butcher steers \$32 to \$33.75, down to \$27 for common; good to near choice heifers \$31 to \$32.25, down to \$26 for common; good cows \$26 to \$27.50, down to \$23 for common; canners and cutters, \$18 to \$22.50; good stocker and feeder steers \$31.50 to \$33, good to choice veal calves \$33 to \$37, down to \$26 for common.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Oct. 15th. — This market closed last week at \$32 to \$33 for choice fed calves; \$32.50 to \$33.50 for choice steers, down to \$24 for common; \$31 to \$32 for choice heifers, down to \$23 for common; \$24.50 to \$25.50 for good cows, down to \$20 for common; \$17 to \$19 for canners and cutters. Hogs closed at \$33.50, lambs were steady at \$29 to \$41.

Egg and Poultry Prices

Present prices to producers are for eggs: Grade A1 large 58, medium 48, pullets 38; Grade A large 53, medium 43, pullets 37; Chickens railgrade: over 5 lbs. 39 for A grade, 34 for B, 26 for C, 4 to 5 lbs., 37 down to 24; under 4 lbs., 34 down to 22; broilers, 40 down to 24; Fowl, over 5 lbs. are 30 down to 20; 4-5 lbs., 28 down to 18; under 4 lbs., 25 down to 15.

The Dairy Market

Local dairy prices remain unchanged. Special cream is 65 cents, No. 1 is 63, No. 2 is 54, and off-grade 48. Butter prints are 65 cents, wholesale.

U.K. Livestock Population

LONDON, Eng. — While hog numbers in the United Kingdom are somewhat lower than in 1939 (3,898,000 as compared with 4,394,000) and sheep show a decrease (from 26,387,000 to 19,990,000) cattle numbers have risen substantially. The 1939 figure was 8,872,000, and the estimated 1951 figure is 10,477,000.

The Wheat Situation

By E. PATCHING, Publicity Dept.
Alberta Wheat Pool

World production of wheat this year is expected to reach 6,650 million bushels as compared to 6,320 million last year, and the 1935-39 average of 6,024 million. This estimate is made by the United States Department of Agriculture.

The North American crop estimated at 1,596 million bushels is expected to be the largest on record, although great difficulty is being experienced in harvesting Canada's bumper crop.

Western Europe Will Need Wheat

The overall production in Europe, placed at 1,565 million bushels, is a little larger than last year, but nearly all of this increase is in Eastern Europe, largely in countries behind the Iron Curtain. The poor harvest in most Western European countries has reduced the crop below last year's level, and it is expected that this area will need increased imports this year.

Since both the Australian and Argentine crops are down from last year, the increased needs of Europe will have to be met by Canada and the United States. Present indications are that only the availability of milling quality wheat and the ability to move it into export positions will limit the export of Canadian wheat this year.

Production in Soviet Russia is believed to be up somewhat, and in Asia an increased outturn is expected because of larger crops in Turkey and China.

Continental Wheat Crops

Wheat production by continents, together with comparisons for last year and the 1935-39 average, is shown in the following table:

	1951 (Million Bushels)	1950 (Million Bushels)	Average 1935-39 (Million Bushels)
North America	1,596	1,509	1,086
Europe	1,565	1,520	1,599
U.S.S.R. (Europe & Asia)	1,110	1,110	1,240
Asia	1,610	1,535	1,488
South America	238	290	281
Africa	139	165	143
Oceania	170	190	177
Totals	6,650	6,320	6,024

* includes allowance for U.S.S.R.

Since rye is also a broad grain it must be considered in looking at the world wheat situation. The combined production of wheat and rye is placed at 245 million short tons, close to the 1938 record production of 248 million. This year's outturn is expected to be about 5 per cent larger than the 1950 outturn, with the increase being in wheat as rye production is down somewhat.

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number 1 feed barley the final payment will be 16.164 cents a bushel, and on this grade this will bring the overall price to \$1.23164. On number 2 and 3 feed barley the final payment will be 18.300 cents a bushel and 18.712 cents a bushel, bringing the total prices on these two grades to \$1.18300 and \$1.13712 a bushel. The final payments on some lower grades of barley will be higher per bushel than the final payments on top grades.

These are the only figures as yet available. The Board is now finishing the accounting on oats, and advice on final payments on this grain will shortly be known. The final payments on wheat will follow.

TOTAL OVER 8 BILLION

WASHINGTON, D.C. — According to estimates just released by the Farm Credit Administration, volume of business of farm marketing and purchasing co-ops for the 1949-50 season is estimated at \$8.7 billions.

MAKES FIRST ENTRY

Theodore Reynders, of Sangudo, Alberta, has made the first entry to the 29th Annual International Grain and Hay Show, to be held in Chicago in late November.

Glimpse of Canada's Nuffield Scholars Touring Scotland

Orrin Hart and John McLean
Exchange Ideas With
Scots Farmers

"I thought your readers, especially the young farmers, would be interested in this bit about Orrin Hart," writes Mrs. A. Silver, Jr. of Huxley, in forwarding to *The Western Farm Leader* a clipping from *People's Journal* and *Angus Herald* which she had received from Scotland. "It is the second one I have found in my father-in-law's Scots paper. The boys seem to be getting on fine over there. More power to them. Alberta can be proud."

The clipping contains a snap-shot of Orrin Hart and John McLean, the two Nuffield Scholars from Canada now in Britain, taken during their tour of the countryside.

At Forfar Market

John McLean, dairy farmer from Nova Scotia (the article from the Scots paper reads) smiles as he recalls his experience of Angus humor at Forfar market.

With his friend, Orrin Hart, of Alberta, he is staying with George Y. Mackie, farmer, of Ballinshoe, Kirriemuir. The two Canadians were sent here by the Nuffield Foundation to study British methods of agriculture.

Wearing a rather highly-colored American shirt, John accompanied big George Mackie to the market on Monday, where he was introduced as a "Scotsman."

"Ye Look Like a Spaniard"

One glen farmer, a twinkle in his eye, shook John's hand and vowed — his eye on the shirt — "Maun, loon, ye may be a Scotsman, but ye look like a Spaniard tae me!"

Both of them are going to get a lot of laughs from that as they tour their respective areas on their return, lecturing to Canadian agriculturists.

10,000 Miles in Six Months

Hear their views on what they have found here on a program that has taken them 10,000 miles in six months.

John says: — "Farming in this country is much more intensive than we have. We in Canada have farmers as good, but not so good generally as here. If our market was as dependent on us as yours we would have to be more intensive."

Orrin said that in Britain a great deal more fertilisers were used than in Canada, where the lack of rainfall operated against artificials.

He thought, however, that the Canadians would have to come round to a larger use of fertilizers in order to build up fertility. The land around his area had only been 40 to 50 years in cultivation, some of it only 30, and there was a tendency to deplete it without putting anything back.

Orrin Discusses Scots Cattle

Orrin, who specialises in A-A cattle and wheat, said: "Your cattle have better uniform quality and are a bit finer in the bone. We try to get a little more scale (weight) and a little more bone. Your Herefords are bigger and more rugged than the prize-winners in Canada."

Pigs, they thought, were more severely graded in Canada. "We can't get grade A for a black pig because of the seedy belly bacon."

Confided Orrin: — "What we need in Canada is a lot more Scotsmen to help populate the farms."

Asked to explain his preference for Scotsmen, he replied: — "They are very acceptable emigrants and have proved themselves."

Spectacular Increases

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Sales of the General Motors Corporation rose from \$1,900,000,000 in 1946 to \$3,815,000,000 in 1947, \$4,701,000,000 in 1948, \$5,700,000,000 in 1949 and \$7,531,000,000 in 1950.



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Society of Friends Give Report on Soviet Union

MANCHESTER, Eng. — The Manchester Guardian, leading Liberal newspaper of Britain, a firm supporter of British foreign policy, and noted for its objectivity and freedom from bias in handling of news, published the following under the heading: "Quakers Report on Soviet Union:"

The delegation from the Society of Friends which visited Russia in July has now presented its report to the Meeting for Sufferings — the executive committee of the Society. Much of the report had already appeared in one form or another, but some of its conclusions have not.

The delegates, reflecting on their encounters and exchanges in the Soviet Union, feel they must stress four considerations:

First, that the Communist challenge should be faced not by a critical and defensive reaction, but by a positive resolve to become better Christians and democrats.

Second, that while rejecting what they deem wrong or misguided in Russian policies and practices, they should recognize what is good in its aspirations and achievements, especially the progress made, in spite of the war, towards the economic and social betterment of the mass of the people.

Third, the need to avoid self-righteousness in assessing the actions and omissions of the Soviet government, "and, above all, the expression in ourselves of the temper and practices we deplore in them."

"In criticising and deploring, for instance, tendentious reporting in the U.S.S.R. about the West, or barriers interposed between the Russian and Western peoples, let us recognize that similar extravagances about the

Soviet Union are not infrequent in Western newspapers and that similar and increasing barriers are being established here."

Fourth, special emphasis is laid on the importance of resisting moods of scepticism where the peace declarations and approaches of the Soviet Union are concerned. "There is no question of the eagerness of the ordinary Russian for an assured international peace, and in him the desire is perhaps the more conscious because peace is so obviously essential to the immense tasks of reconstruction and modernization which his country is facing."

"We can testify," the report says, "from our experience to the more conciliatory temper towards the West which prevails in the Soviet Union today and to the persistence with which the necessity of peace and of peaceful understanding between the major powers is being commended to the Soviet people. To close our hearts and minds to these signs, to reject all approach without reflection . . . is surely to betray the deepest need and deepest hopes of peoples everywhere for a world at peace."

The delegation hopes to be able to share with friends and others the clearer appreciation and understanding of the Soviet Union and its people which they gained from the visit, limited though it was for this purpose.

An Associated Press Dispatch from Philadelphia appearing in Canadian newspapers announces that Paul S. Cadbury, head of the chocolate firm of Cadbury and Fry, in England, reporting to the American Friends Service Committee, stated that: "The Russians are entirely ignorant of conditions in the world outside"; but that "the Russians, contrary to our own expectations, have a fairly high standard of living."

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FROM NANTON TO MEXICO
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a truck we were showered with confetti by girls in native dress. The procession was led by a group on foot carrying the Mexican flag, then a band in khaki uniforms, followed by the truck containing the delegation of about 200 people and then a mounted group and a procession of people on foot. We moved along slowly for about 1½ miles. On one side of the road were all the modern equipment they are using. After this we saw all the old tools they had to work with. The farm around the school was irrigated by the sewage from Mexico City some 60 miles away.

Dinner was served in the shade of the trees and under a long shed. We

got our first taste of the real hot Mexican seasoning. Dinner was followed by speeches, translations and replies. We got back to Pachuca about 7:30 and headed for Mexico City, where we arrived about 9:30 after a long tiring day.

The next morning was the opening of the Conference—quite colorful and dramatic with guard of honor and about 30 dignitaries on the platform with about 20 photographers taking pictures of the delegates at work. Flags flying and music.

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By SIDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks:

That old saying about the laws of the Medes and Persians which altereth not doesn't seem to apply to oil contracts.

Postcard from Chuck of Chuckawalla says that a woman's declining years are before thirty. She seldom declines anything later.

TODAY'S PUZZLE

"One of the greatest thrills while working on the railroad, was meeting the then infant Prince of Wales, later EDWARD VII and now Duke of Windsor. The child was travelling with his mother the present Queen Mary." — From a story in the *Calgary Albertan*. Personally, we always thought that Queen Victoria was the mother of Edward VII, but this column is sometimes wrong.

Assault Reported Under Bridge — headline in the *Calgary Herald*. But why go under a bridge to report it?

We see where an American doctor reports that artists are seldom the

victims of toothache or neuralgia. Nope, they generally suffer from an aching 'art.

"A new bill before the House of Commons is entitled An Act Respecting the Canada Post Office." Drawing attention to its title the Postmaster-General told the House that the term 'Royal Mail' is now obsolete. — News item. It would be a good thing, observes Knotty Frankie, if ministers holding such views were also obsolete.

Oh yes, and another Ottawa bureaucrat, referring to the changing of the Dominion Elections Act to Canada Elections Act, says there is a "trend" away from the use of the word "Dominion." Inasmuch as the title "Dominion" was conferred on Canada by that gracious and well-beloved Sovereign Queen Victoria and considering also that Canada is the only Dominion in the British Commonwealth of Nations, if not in the whole world, and further that the word Dominion means SOVEREIGN STATE, it seems a pity that there isn't a decided trend away from such ill-informed bureaucrats.

TO A BLONDE

(A group of scientists meeting on the Pacific Coast came to the unanimous conclusion that the blonde races are dying out and in time will disappear altogether. To me, as a poet, blonde races mean "blondes", hence the following poem.—V.B.

It was some while ago when I first read
Of how the scientists, in great array,
With one accord foresaw that day of dread;
When from this earth all blondes shall pass away.
Blonde beauties that have thrilled the hearts of men,
Through countless years of history's dim lore,
And to whose charm these verses I now pen —
By nature's stern decree shall be no more.

Upon the flowing stream of Destiny,
Or by the spin of Time's relentless loom,
The glory that is blondes shall cease to be;
The grandeur that is theirs shall end in doom.

My heart is sad, my mind is in dismay,
I choke inside and shed a bitter tear
In contemplation of that awful day,
When from this world all blondes shall disappear.

And as I try to drown my grief in wine,
Distilled by time from Lethe's fast flowing stream,
I see, in memory, her form divine,
In beauty molded, floating on a dream.

O Great and Wise and good Economist,
Forgive this lip of one who's in Thy bonds,
But, hast Thou placed upon the banned list
That precious stuff that goes to make all blondes?
—Volodimir Barabash.

PERHAPS SHE WAS RIGHT

According to Mata Hari, one of Germany's most dangerous spies in the First World War, "Psychology is the treatment that the other man needs."

News dispatch from Paris says that a Champs-Elysees dog shop is bathing white poodles in milk. No doubt re-

garding them as the cream of the canine world.

TO ALL LIBERALS, R.S.V.P.

From an ad in the London Times: "An old gentleman, aged 49, who can still hear, speak, talk, see and walk, wants a job where HONESTY, and RELIABILITY are SUPREME factors; widely travelled and ardent CONSERVATIVE." Great Scott! snorts the Bad Egg from Crow's Nest, does the poor guy expect politicians to want a man with those qualifications.

Up, Up, Up, — 1951 is a Record Profit Spinner — headline in the Sunday Express. Pleading all the free enterprise Prophets we suppose.

Cynical Gus postcards to point out that Calgary is the only city in Canada that has an "Uptown Theatre" that is DOWNTOWN.

Legislative Topics Give Heat to House — headlines in a Calgary paper. Well, that's one way of keeping the coal bill down.

"Irishman Nabbed Kissing Angel" — headline in the *Calgary Albertan*. Blarney.

At Ascot, England, a spry three-year-old named Supreme Court won the Festival of Britain stakes at £25,372, the richest purse in turf history. Undoubtedly a popular Supreme Court verdict for its backers.

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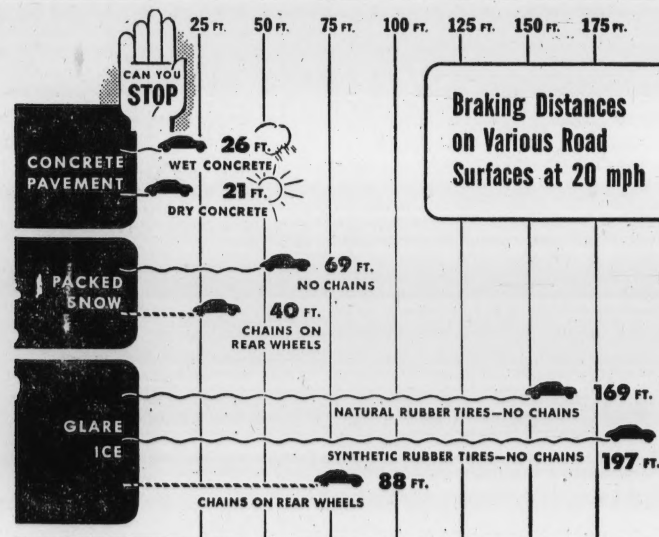
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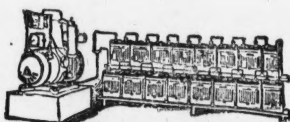
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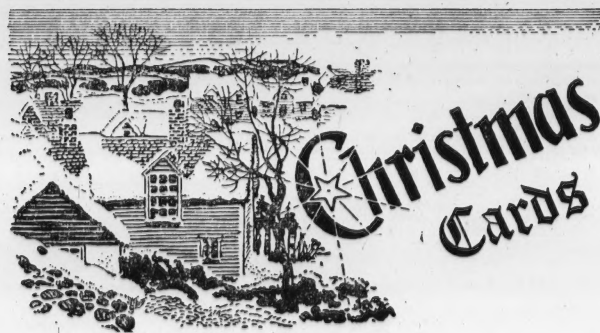
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